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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

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The amendment document filed on 21 July 2009 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.

THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:

| | A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markin B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined. C. Other | gs. | | | |
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| | 2. Abstract: A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1 B. Other | 1.72. | | | |
| | "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1." B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing | e top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or l21(d). correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required. | | | |
| | of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the number by using one of the following status in (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered). D. The claims of this amendment paper have no | of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims) oper satus identifier, and as such, the individual status status of every claim must be indicated after its claim dentifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Canceled), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended), to been presented in ascending numerical order. awn claims that have been amended must be listed as | | | |
| | 5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or not signed See Continuation Sheet | ed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4): | | | |
| For | or further explanation of the amendment format required by 3 | 7 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714. | | | |
| TIN | IME PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTICE: | | | | |
| 1. | Applicant is given no new time period if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendmen filed after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the entire corrected amendment must be resubmitted. | | | | |
| 2. | Applicant is given one month , or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a 2uayle action. If any of above boxes 1. to 4. are checked, the correction required is only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. | | | | |
| | Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a amendment or an amendment filed in response to a Qua | | | | |
| Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in: Abandonment of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action; or Non-entry of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment. | | | | | |
| | | /F. Ryan Zeender/ Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 3627 | | | |
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⁻⁻ The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

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Continuation Sheet (PTOL-324) Application No. 09/461,336

Continuation of 5 Other: The examiner notes MPEP 714.02 requires: The reply by the applicant... must be reduced to a writing which distinctly and specifically points out the supposed errors in the examiner's action and must reply to every ground of object and rejection in the prior Office action. The reply must present arguments pointing out the specific distinctions believed to render the claims, including any newly presented claims, patentable over any applied references. The exmainer notes in this instance Claim 153 is not addressed with respect to Mossberg in view of Gregory and Woolston and further in view of Shear. Further the examiner notes the reply contains multiple errors with respect to the rejection by citing Mossberg in view of Barzilai and Godin and Leonard (Rejection under 35 USC 103. Claim 1. 36, 71. 102. 133, and 153).